

(4) Contain a statement regarding whether or not the manufacturer complied with the back door latch, hinge, and lock requirements of this standard in the percentages specified in S4 for the period covered by the report and the basis for that statement;

(5) Provide the information specified in § 590.7;

(6) Be written in the English language; and

(7) Be submitted to: Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, ATTN: NSA-01, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590.

(b) *Report content*—(1) *Basis for phase-in production goals*. Each manufacturer shall provide the number of passenger cars and multipurpose passenger vehicles with a GVWR of 4,536 kilograms (10,000 pounds) or less manufactured for sale in the United States for each of the two previous production years or, at the manufacturer's option, for the current production year. A new manufacturer that has not previously manufactured passenger cars and multipurpose passenger vehicles with a GVWR of 4,536 kilograms (10,000 pounds) or less for sale in the United States must report the number of such vehicles manufactured during the current production year.

(2) *Production*. Each manufacturer shall report for the production year for which the report is filed the number of passenger cars and multipurpose passenger vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating of 4,536 kilograms (10,000 pounds) or less that meet the back door latch, hinge, and lock requirements of this standard.

#### § 590.7 Records.

Each manufacturer shall maintain records of the vehicle identification number of each passenger car and multipurpose passenger vehicle for which information is reported in accordance with § 590.6 until December 31, 1999.

#### § 590.8 Petition to extend period to file reports.

A petition for extension of time to file a report required by S6.1 must be received not later than 15 days before expiration of the time specified in § 590.5(a). The petition must be sub-

mitted to: Administrator, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, ATTN: NSA-01, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590. The filing of a petition does not automatically extend the time for filing a report. A petition will be granted only if the petitioner shows good cause for the extension and the extension is consistent with motor vehicle safety.

### PART 591—IMPORTATION OF VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT SUBJECT TO FEDERAL SAFETY, BUMPER AND THEFT PREVENTION STANDARDS

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APPENDIX C TO PART 591—POWER OF ATTORNEY AND AGREEMENT

AUTHORITY: 49 U.S.C. 322(a), 30114; Pub. L. 100-562, 102 Stat. 2824; Pub. L. 105-178, 112 Stat. 469; delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.50 and 501.8.

SOURCE: 54 FR 40078, Sept. 29, 1989, unless otherwise noted.

#### § 591.1 Scope.

This part establishes procedures governing the importation of motor vehicles and motor vehicle equipment subject to the Federal motor vehicle safety, bumper, and theft prevention standards.

[55 FR 11378, Mar. 28, 1990]

#### § 591.2 Purpose.

The purpose of this part is to ensure that motor vehicles and motor vehicle equipment permanently imported into

the United States conform with theft prevention standards issued under part 541 of this chapter and that they conform with, or are brought into conformity with, all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety standards issued under part 571 of this chapter and bumper standards issued under part 581 of this chapter. The purpose of this part is also to ensure that nonconforming vehicles and equipment items imported on a temporary basis are ultimately either exported or abandoned to the United States.

[55 FR 11378, Mar. 28, 1990]

**§ 591.3 Applicability.**

This part applies to any person offering a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment for importation into the United States.

[55 FR 11378, Mar. 28, 1990]

**§ 591.4 Definitions.**

All terms used in this part that are defined in 49 U.S.C. 30102, 32101, 32301, 32502, and 33101 are used as defined in those sections except that the term “model year” is used as defined in part 593 of this chapter.

*Administrator* means the Administrator of NHTSA.

*NHTSA* means the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration of the Department of Transportation.

*Dutiable value* means entered value, as determined by the Secretary of the Treasury.

*Original manufacturer* means the entity responsible for the original manufacture or assembly of a motor vehicle, and does not include any person (other than such entity) who converts the motor vehicle after its manufacture to conformance with the Federal motor vehicle safety standards.

[54 FR 40078, Sept. 29, 1989, as amended at 55 FR 3747, Feb. 5, 1990; 55 FR 11378, Mar. 28, 1990; 59 FR 52097, Oct. 14, 1994; 60 FR 57954, Nov. 24, 1995]

**§ 591.5 Declarations required for importation.**

No person shall import a motor vehicle or item of motor vehicle equipment into the United States unless, at the time it is offered for importation, its importer files a declaration, in dupli-

cate, which declares one of the following:

(a)(1) The vehicle was not manufactured primarily for use on the public roads and thus is not a motor vehicle subject to the Federal motor vehicle safety, bumper, and theft prevention standards; or

(2) The equipment item is not a system, part, or component of a motor vehicle and thus is not an item of motor vehicle equipment subject to the Federal motor vehicle safety, bumper, and theft prevention standards.

(b) The vehicle or equipment item conforms with all applicable safety standards (or the vehicle does not conform solely because readily attachable equipment items which will be attached to it before it is offered for sale to the first purchases for purposes other than resale are not attached), and bumper and theft prevention standards, and bears a certification label or tag to that effect permanently affixed by the original manufacturer to the vehicle, or by the manufacturer to the equipment item or its delivery container, in accordance with, as applicable, parts 541, 555, 567, 568, and 581, or 571 (for certain equipment items) of this chapter.

(c) The vehicle or equipment item does not comply with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety, bumper, and theft prevention standards, but is intended solely for export, and the vehicle or equipment item, and the outside of the container of the equipment item, if any, bears a label or tag to that effect.

(d) The vehicle does not conform with all applicable Federal motor vehicle safety, bumper, and theft prevention standards, but the importer is eligible to import it because:

(1) (S)he is a nonresident of the United States and the vehicle is registered in a country other than the United States,

(2) (S)he is temporarily importing the vehicle for personal use for a period not to exceed one year, and will not sell it during that time,

(3) (S)he will export it not later than the end of one year after entry, and

(4) The declaration contains the importer's passport number and country of issue.